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Carbondale — While cleaning in City Hall March 20, as part of the restoration effort, John V. Buberniak, a member of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall Inc., found a carbon copy of "A Geographical History of the Cities, Boroughs, and Townships and Their Subdivisions in Lackawanna County Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

This book, which isn't now generally available in libraries, was sponsored by the county commissioners and written in August 1939 as a project under the Works Progress Administration, Area Number 1. The project head was John K. Blackledge.

Contained in this history is the geography of the cities, boroughs and townships within Lackawanna County, as well as all subsequent ward and district subdivisions and their original and current polling places. There is a separate section for each major area, with all items indexed and arranged chronologically.

In order that this important book might be accessible to the greatest number of readers possible, Sheffield Publications Inc., Carbondale, produced, free of charge, three facsimiles of this carbon copy for the committee. On April 2, those three facsimiles were presented, with compliments of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall to the Carbondale Historical Society/Carbondale Public Library, the Lackawanna Historical Society, and the Scranton Public Library.